PULPIT SKETCHES.

THE REV. DR. C. H. PARKHURST, MADISON SQUARE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

In 1852 a friendly consolidation took place between the Pearl Street Church and the Central Church in Broome-st., under the pastorate of the Rev. Mr. Wood, of the former society. In this arrangement a colony of 131 members was liberated from the Central Society. who, taking with them their paster, Dr. William Adams, organized in 1853 the Madison Square Church. From the outset the enterprise was generonsly stocked with the elements of success. The paster was already strongly established in the confidence and admiration of the evangelical churches, while the colony itself was rich in the best representative elements of Presbyterianism. In 1854 the new edifice was completed and dedicated. It occupies one of the most admirable sites in the metropolis on the southeast corner of Twenty-fourth-st. and Madison-ave.; for not only does one of the prettiest parks provide a broad landscape foreground, with its fountains, promenades and monumental statues, but it commands the great avenue which reaches northward for miles, hardly somethed by the touch of traffic. Already become the chief centre of hotel life and the amusements that convoy it, the neighborhood is not unlikely to make unexpected demands on this great church, which in the near future may require some medification of its ministrations. With Truity Chapel just across the square in Twenty-fifth-st., which may be set down as a fixture, the vast fluctuating population that continually swirls and eddies through these thoroughfares is not left without religious consideration.

The growth of the Madison Square Church seems almost unprecedented, not only for the great increase of membership, but in its social value and significance. The 131 original Central people, with eleven who joined them from other churches at the outset in \$553, have grown into a great constituency of more than 1.600, who are spread from river to river, with families as far up-town as Ninctieth-st. Two strong and thrifty missions among the English and Germans are jointly established in Thritteth-st., near Third-ave., under the direction of two assistant pasters. avenue which reaches northward for miles, hardly

under the direction of two assistant pastors.

A STRONGLY REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH. Dr. Adams resigned in 1873 to accept the presidency of the Union Theological Seminary, after a vigorous and most successful pastorate of more than twenty years. In 1875 Dr. Tucker succeeded, retiring in 1878 to the Professorship of Sacred Rhetoric in An dover Theological Schainary. The present paster, Dr Charles H. Fackhurst, was installed in 1880

dover Theological Schulary. The present paster, Dr. Charles H. Fackhurst, was installed in 1880. He ministers to a great congregation, made up largely of the busiest, thriftiest, most cultivated and thoughful classes—who live in the best houses, read the best busks, buy the finest pictures, handle the controlling centres of finance, figure in the leading courts, fill advanced positions in the learned professions, or look after the great educational and benevolent organizations of the city and country. It has from its earliest days been strongly representative of New-England ideas and predilections.

There is little of the Kniekerbecker or foreign element visible. The old New-Forkers took to the First Church, at Fifth-ave and Twelfth-st., and to Dr. Crosby's, while English, Scotch and Irish Presbyterian ism is much at home in Dr. John Hall'schurch. At Madison Square we encounter a New England constituency. It is largely a conservative advance or development of Congregational culture, on the one hand turning away from Radicalism, yet on the other with little love for Calvinism or the Westminster Catechism.

Among the officials, members and pew holders are part the names of the Rev. Dr. Reswell D. Hitcheock. Among the officials, members and pewholders are not the names of the Rev. Drs. Roswell D. Hitchcock, ehaff, Field and Prime; Dr. Markoe, Cyras W. Field, Villiam E. Dodge, D. Willis James, members of the Koves, Donaldson and Stokes families; David Wetnore, Francis F. Marbury, Albon P. Man, Theodore V. Dwight, S. Hastings Grant, Ezra M. Kingsley and antis C. Lithany.

Louis C. Tidany. NATURE OF THE WORSHIP. A strong feeling for liturgical worship is felt in the services. The Apostles' Creed has been rescued from traditional obscurity, and is audibly recited by the congregation. The Gloria in Excelsis, from the Book of Common-Prayer, is familiarly sung by the people to its old setting, the "long prayer" modulates gracefully with the Lord's Prayer which is said in concert. But the union of celloquialism and conventionality classwhere in the service seems to jar and clash with the grave, sombor-colored passages from the ancient liturgies, and it remains to be seen how this old wine in new lostitles now being laid in by almost all the non liturgical churches will behave under these strange conditions. The old liturgies are expressions of mystic ferver and spiritual subordination to church lite and fellowship; while the spontaneous and improvised worship of Protestantism is the symbol of individualism and untrannucled idealism. The public worship of the Madison Square Church is a practical and intelligent attempt to fraternize the c broadly contrasted elements. In furtherance of these ritualistic tendencies, there was on Easter Day a lavish display of flowers and blooming plants tastefully grouped above the pulpit, sithough none of the Catholic symbols or emblenswere noticeable, and the choir of six or eight nicely contrasted voices sang one or two Easter anthems with the great Gothic clurch, in brown stone, with its of Common-Prayer, is familiarly sung by the people to

a conable appreciation.

The great Gothic church, in brown stone, with its commanding spire, provides one of the stateliest land-toarks in the city. It was designed by the elder Up-john. The style is plain and severe, learning to massive-ness. There are no aisles, and of coare no elevertory areas or lights. This gives the boldly-spreading in-terior roofing rather a heavy effect, which is partly reterior rooting rather a heavy effect, which is partly re-lieved by slender spandril arches and the judicions are of sharp, primitive colors. The whole interior surface is wrapped in singularly harmonious freeso decoration in the devout spirit of severe mediacvalism. The ex-tremest ritualism or sacramentalism could ask for nothing more expressive or edifying. A hold, deeply-re-essel, round-arched panel breaks the castern wall for the pulpit platform, behind which rises an elab rate G-thic rerodos in triptych form, wrought beautifully in black walnut. Galleries with brilliantly inluminated fronting fill the sides and westend, which serves for a fill the sides and west end, which serves for a choir and organ gallery.

A PICTURESQUE FIGURE AND A VEREMENT SPIRIT. dat no fresco nor mediaevalism can touch or transmute the preacher. In his sitken gown, standing well poised, lithe, graceful, he remains the perpetual anachrenism of the stalwart, stordy Nenconformist and achrenism of the stalwart, sturdy Nenconformist and Independent. He is clearly a picturesque figure nevertheless. There is something of the Van Dyck cast of head and facial expression. Muses of jet black hair fall back from the high, wide brow and from the temples; there is a mild mustache and a whiskered chin. The eyes are large, black heavily-browed. Gold spectacles shut in something of their kindding. The compexion is a warm branette. The voice is rather hard and metallic in timbre reedy and narrow in volume. There is little and infrequent gesture and that is mostly digital and rarely gets above the wrists or loosens the chows. The service is a serious, thoroughgoing work. Plainly it is charged with the week's thought and life. It is read, word for word, the Doctor bending over his manuscript, as it were after and "en thought and life. It is read, word for word, the Doctor bending over his manuscript, as it were alive and "en rapport" with him. It is a curious absorption, and the speaker seems him-elf charged and surcharged from the written pages which serve as a quickening battery to beart and brain.

At the outset the accent and inflection are strongly provincial and stir with a quaint New England intona-tion which is at once inimitable and indestructible. The Van Dyck ideal fades out of sight, and we are at

The Van Dyck ideal fades out of sight, and we are at close quarters with a restless, penetrating, ingenious, picturesque, vehement spirit, not emotional but sharply in earnest and irrepressibly energetic. The methods are peculiar, for they are fearless, unconventional and make extravagant demands upon the creative rescorces of the preacher. For the summars of sharp condensations, of quintossences, distillations, of clearly cut mintages, of unique intaglios and artificers' achievements. The text is an imperative magnet with its brisk bi-polarity, and everything in the fillations, of clearly cut mintages, of angue integroes and artifacers' achievements. The text is an imperative magnet with its brisk bi-polarity, and everything in the earth and under and above it which has ever failed within the keen eight of the preacher and is at all okin to the text in near or remote degree, seems clustered about these magnetic words. They are not berrawings nor clippings nor gleanings nor reminiscences, and this is the strangest thing about the work. Here are droil savings touched with a dry yet reverent wit, which is the strangest thing about the work. Here are droll saying, touched with a dry yet reverent wit, which savors of Montaigue or Thomas Fuller or Dr. Franklin, and not infrequently of the great Proverbialist, and yet they each and all bear the honest trade-mark of Dr. Parkhurst. There is a quick succession of apothegms, condensed metaphors, oblique illustrations, heen generalizations, that fall into the general purpose of the sermon like the line and stipple of the engraver or etcher. The result is an instant brilliancy, a pungency, an intensity, a lavish strewing of costly flavors, which rivet the attention and almost blind with sudden flashes and coruscations.

A BEWILDERING PRODIGALITY.

The average preacher congratulates himself, perhaps, if now and then "a good thing" drops into his discoarse. Dr Parkhurst keeps at it with the bewildering prodigality of a conjuror who is never played out. His method is antipodal to the discursive, classical, "perimethod is antipodal to the discursive, classical, "periodique" homileties of the schools. It is steeped in he sententiousness of Emerson, Thorean and the Concord culture. Yet it is undeniably fresh, personal and original. It is an idiosyncrasy which has been sedulously and scriously cultivated. It goes with his taut, over-strained idiom which pashes condensation and literalness to the verge of parsimony and verbal niggardness. So we become conscious of a strained, serely taxed mood, under a tension which insensibly beautiful variances, and we would breathe freezy and sorely taxed mood, under a tension which insensibly wought weariness, and we would breathe freer and casier if the preacher would use a more liberal hand. At times this severity of pruning leaves half a page without an adjective! Everything has run to nouns and verbs. One feels if he does not say it, that the sermon lies too much in the crystal, and would go farther and do more if put into solution.

One such sermon a week ought to act upon the jaded brains and sensibilities of city experience like a pre-cription of brain-food and hypophosphates. Dr. Parkhurst has reached his forty-second year, is a native of Cinton, Mass., a graduate of Amherst, and pursued his theological studies chiefly at Leipsic and at Halle under Drs. Tholuck and Muller.

EVIL EPPECTS OF A SPIDER BITE. Captain John Kerr, who arrived in this city byeral days ago from Havana, suffering from the bite of

a tarantula, sailed yesterday on the steamship Assyrian Monarch. A short time after his vessel left. Havana he experienced intense pain in his right hand where he wa bitten. His hand swelled and the poison had made its way into his fore-arm when he arrived in this city. Physicians contrived to keep the swelling down but feared for a time that they would be forced to amputate the

NEW-JERSEY COAST TOPICS. THE APPROACHING SEASON-COTTAGE AND

HOTEL NOTES.

FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TELEUNE. Long Branch, April 19 .- Amos Cotting, the New-York broker, has sold his large and handsomely furnished villa on the east side of Ocean-ave., Long Branch, between Lake Packanasse and Elberon, to William S. Warner, also of New-York. The price named is \$60,600. Mr. Warner is having the stable remodelled and

enlarged at a cost of about \$5,000.

The Asbury Park Board of Health held a special mosting on Friday afternoon, and passed a resolution providing for a thorough sanitary inspection of the entire town before the summer season opens. The necessary blanks have been prepared for each piece of property. which will be filled out by the inspectors and filed in the office of the Board.

Benjamin Albertson is building two large "Queen Anne" cottages at North - pring Lake Beach. The West End total cottages will open on June 1, and the hotel two weeks later.

The president of the Ocean Eegeli Association says a map has been published which purports to give the aucient surveys of that town and which is calculated to deceive the lot-owners. The association has adopted an official map, which it will have lithographed for the benefit of all persons owning property purchased from it. The Sea View House, at Cookman and Summerfield aves., Asbury Park, has been moved so as to give place to

The plans for the new fron pler at Cape May City are nearly completed. The cottage of Corliss Morris, on Morris-ave., near the

occun, has been rented by L. H. Cohen, of New-York. A large hotel is to be built at Long Beach, near Barne-A large plot of ground has been set apart at Key East

for the use of the Seastle Sunday school Assembly, which opens there on July 22. The ground is being graded. The originators of the proposed gas works at Asbury Park have purchased ground for the necessary buildings, and will begin work at ouce. Mrs. Alice Placide Lee, heir of the late Mrs. James Wal-

lack, has sold a piot of ground on the south side of Lake Tackanasse to Thomas H. Lee, of Philadelphia. The consideration stated in the deed is \$12,000. A number of costates are being crected at Waverly

Beach by Philadelphians. James Hunter, of Philadelphia, has sold five and a half lots at Spring Lake Beach to James Long, of the same It is said that Benjamin Harris Brewster, United States

Attorney-General, and family will spend the coming season at Atlantic City. Professor W. G. Fischer and family, of Philadelphia, will

ccupy their cottage at Ocean Beard this season. Thomas T. Kinney, of the Dully A learning, of Newark. N. J., purchased the old Claredon Hotel property at Long Branch in August, 1882, for \$17,000. The hotel, which is now known as the Ocean Wave, has been purchased by Mrs. fle en . Traphag n for \$22,590.

George it. Wild has purchased a large plot of ground

but they want the cit. to be made a port of entry.
John Stan, Ewen Methutre, Robert Robertson, William
Brokaw, Isane Brokaw and William Campbell, of NewYork, all well-known cottagers at Long Branch, and the
Rev. Charon J. Yonng, paster of the First Reformed
Caurch, will assume the care of the services to be held
during the approaching snumer season in the Seasole
Chapel on Chelseave. On and after the second Sanniay
in June services will be held in the chapel every Sanday
morning. The pewsyn the edite care to be rented.
Dr. Joseph H. Warrington, a prominent physician of
Atlanie City, has been appointed Health Inspector there
for the messent year.

r the present year. The voters of North Spring Lake have elected the fol-The vaters of North Spring Lake have elected the following Board of Commissionners: .esident commission, ers, Captain Sanner Ludiow, Robert M. Worthington Oliver H. Brown and J. S. Williams; non-resident, Williams; h. Sioan, of New-York; the Rev. John H. Laggett, of Rahway, N. J.; and Thomas A. Fav, of Philadelpina.

The cottage of Charles Bispham, on Ocean-ave, Long Branch, has been rended by B. Hertz, of New-York.

The Arlington Hotel, at Ocean Grove, is for rent.

The old Revolutionary berfding opposite the Wheeler House, at Eatontown, which was an object of curtosity to summer visitors, has been form down. It was about 135 years oil.

ears old.

A large park is being laid out on the depot grounds at eint Pleasant City.
The books of the Asbury Park Library Association have en removed to the post office building. James H. Sexton, of Asbury Park, is erecting a cottage oring Lake Beach.
"Queen Anne" cottage is being erected at Sea View
I Beach aves., Ocean Grove, by George Clark, of Phila-

our Karge, of Princeton College, is spending his acation at his cottage at Bay itead, with the Rev. ardson, pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church on, N. J. Hotel, at Long Branch, will open for

dects on May 15.

Mrs. W. V. Pearce and Mrs. Gush, her daughter, both of roosity, are settled in their summer home on the bank the Manasquan Kiver, at Manasquan. The new centure of C. W. Wells, of Philadelphia, at pring Lake Beach, is one of the most elaborate on the cw.Jersey coast.

Captain John Arnold has begun work on three new cotter their Philadelphia.

New Jersey coast.
Captain John Arnold has begun work on three new cottages at Point Pleasant City.
During the last year over \$150,000 has been expended in improvements at Key East, the new resort between Ocean Park and Ocean Beach.
Dr. Carlos P. Tucker, of New York, and Edward McKinney, of Binghamoon, N. Y., have purchased in fract of land four miles nort; of Beach Haven, for \$300,000.
The tract contains about 150 acres.
Extensive improvements are to be made by Charles and arrea Leland, ir., the proprietors of the Ocean Hotel, at Long ranch. They will refurnish about 150 rooms in the south wing, refresco the entire house, and build 400 new bathing-houses.
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rooms in the sould wise, build 400 new bathing-houses. George W. Burd, of New-York, has rented the Hamil-ton villa at Rumson Bluff, opposite Sea Bright, for the coming season.

Robert S. Shodgrass, of Harrisburg, Penn., has just completed a large "Queen Anne" cottage at Spring Lake

Beach.
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Judge James M. Davis and family, of Jersey City, will spend the summer, as cottagers, at Ocean Park.

A number of new avenues at Point Pleasant have been laid out and are tearly graded.

After July I the post office of Neptune City will be known as Key East.

The Rev. William Harris, treasurer of the College of New-Jersey, and family are occupying their cottage at Bay Head.

Thomas Swift is erecting a new botel at the Highlands.

Thomas Swift is erecting a new hotel at the Highlands of Navesink, in place of the one destroyed several months of Naveshik, in place of the one destroyed several months ago by fire.

Superintendent Nieman, of the New-York and Long Branch Railroad, has decided to place ticket and freight agents at the North Asbury Fark de, of the coming season for the benefit of cottagers living there.

A heavy artificial stone wall is being erected on the ocean front of the Octagen House at Sea Bright.

The Misses Bacon, of Fhiladelphila, have taxen possession of their new cottage at Spring Lake Beach.

The Cocan Beach Association is opening its property on River-aive, between each and twel-th aves.

The property transferred in Monmouta County last week aggregated \$262,000 in value.

Berwick Lodge, the fine hotel at Key East, is for rent.

rent.
The Rev. C. E. Hill, formerly of Sea Bright, has purchased the house of John R. Bergen, on Beach-st., Red Bank, and is now occupying it.

THE UNHAPPY CHURCH IN A QUIET STATE. The Easter services in the Madison Avenue Congregational Charca had a soothing effect on the factions who uphold and deny Dr. Newman's claims to the pastorate. Since the meetings last Monday night when the church and its members were entertained by protests, not a stroke has been delivered by either side. Revival services, led by Miss Jenny Smith, have succeed Revival services, led by Miss Jenny Emits, have succeeded in converting almost every person in the neighborhood except fir. Hanney and his friends; br. Newman nightly receives congratulations that "the active fight has resulted in no weakening of his position," and Dr. Ranney and Dracon Cummings proclaim with their several and peculiar war-cries, "The fight is just begun." To-morrow night the literary society will be introduced by means of a lecture to "The Repenter" in the abstract. LAXNESS OF THE POLICE.

THE PREVALENCE OF VICE AND CRIME.

WITNESSES BEFORE THE ROOSEVELT COMMITTEE. The Assembly Special Committee was represented yesterday by the chairman, Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Nelson, they having been appointed by their associates as a sub-committee to take testimony. The proceedings were comparatively uninteresting. The audience was small. None of the Police Commissioners was there, the department being represented only by Judge Russell. The first witness was Patrolman Henry H. Sch. ii. of the at a low figure in the markets. Twenty-ninth Precinct, against whem charges were pre-ferred in connection with a raid by Mr. Comstock on "Ai" for 35, while Southern shad cost 25 and Adams's gambling resort. Mr. Comstock had alleged that | 50 cents each. Fish of other varieties are also the officer was in the back room of the station when he entered to make his regulation for men, but immediately ran out; and when the raid was attempted it was found that the inmates had received warning and escaped. The witness was asked by Mr. Miller respecting the charges preferred against him in that case He replied that he had been indicted, but the indictment was dismissed. He had gone to the District-Attorney two or three times and demanded trial. Mr. McKeon finally went to the Recorder, said there was no merit in the case and asked for a dismissal. The witness said he had no knowledge of intervention in his behalf by captain Williams. The witness's beat extended in Twenty-seventh-st. from Fourth to Seventh aves., and covers the period from 6 to 12 at night or from midnight to 6 in the morning. He was familiar with all the houses in that locality, but claimed that he was unable to make arrests because the watchfulness of offenders. He had no knowledge of noney paid to policemen for protection.

Michael O'Malley, of No. 145 West Twenty-seventh-st..

estified to his experience in passing through that street. He made a long statement, to which he swore, reciting the evils which abounded. While he admitted that the police had always shown a willingness to do what they could, he believed that uninformed policemen detailed for the purpose could do much more. He said that little children were employed to watch for the approach of the regular parrolmen. He saw almost daily liquor conveyed from wagons into the houses, where he believed i was sold without license, as he frequently saw men enter the places soher and come out greatly intoxcated.

Charles E. Campbell testified at great length as to his knowledge of gambling resorts in this city. He gave it as his opinion that gambling houses are at present pretty generally closed, though he had not himself been visiting daces of this character for the past year. He declared that he had never given a police officer, directly or indirecily, a dollar for protection, and had never heard

Mrs. Heen. Traphagen for \$22,500.
George H. Wild has purchased a large plot of ground on the bank of the Strew-bury River at Red Bank and will creet a handsoms house.

Another sign of spring is the flying north varid of large fleeks of wild geese and ducks.

The stages are again plying between Long Branch and Long Branch willage.

L. J. Godfrey, of Philadelphia, has leased one of the Hillyard coffaces, on Seventhaue., Ocean Beach.

The frame of the new Baptist church on Batheave, Long Branch, has been raised and the edifice will be combined in time for use during the season.

Brighton is now known as North Soring Leke Reach.

The new host below creeted at Key East by Edward Battenburg, or Philadelphia, but the Wall hold about 300 gnests.

Mrs. A. W. Walte, of New York, has leased a coffage at Firs-ave, and Emoryst, Asbury Park.

The atomer Wilmer. A Heislew will begin its daily trips between New York and Long Branch in Monday.

The ocean end of the new pier at Cape May City will be just 100 miles from Philadelphia.

The bost office at A-bury Park has been remodelled for the coming season and there are now twice as many bores as there were last year.

William H. Jackson and familty, of Philadelphia, are already occurry the proposition to incorparace that town as a city.

The residents of Atlantic City not only want Congress to expend 575,000 in improving the barbor of that piace, Jown Blook, and the manday manday that the edition of that piace, Jown Blook, and the Manasquan Hiver, at Manasquan.

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that he had be executant the District Autories' regarded the case as without merit, but he was of the impression that not the District Autorney himself, but some one clee, had made the statement to the Recorder.

The countifies adjourned until to-morrow at 10 o'clock. It is thou did likely that that will be the last session held for the examination of witne, see for several weeks.

THE PUBLIC WORKS INQUIRY.

CONTRACTOR DEVLIN'S \$500. CHECK-COST OF RE-PAVING IN NEW-YORK AND BROOKLYN.

In the investigation of the Department of Public Works by the Senate Committee on Cities yester-day, W. J. Lyon, auditor of the Finance Department, described the manner in which payments are made on pay-rolls and vouchers and the checks to insure their correctness. The Department of Finance, he said, had made examinations of contracts let by the Department of Public Works as to the prices paid. This was done by one of the Department's own examiners. In the case of Richard A. Canaingham the examiner reported that his

Mr. Whitridge We will show you that you are paying bout 500 per cent more than is necessary.

Mr. Lyon-Our force of examiners is very small. We ly now and then give outside matters att

Mr. Payne offered what he said was the certified reconby John Randolph, assistant clerk of the Court of Claims of Washington, D. C., of the proceedings of a court mar tial which convicted John Devlin, the contractor. Ger eral Tracy eldected to the reception of the record on the ground that it was not legal evidence. What was offered by Mr. Payne was the record of evidence of a suiby Mr. Devlin against the States to recover a claim for a considerable amount. After much argument a vote was taken and the record was not admitted as evidence.

John Devlin was then recalled. He produced certain checks drawn by him on the Nassau Bank, Brocklyt.

One of these was for \$100 made payable to R. i.* Clifford, and cashed at the Importers and Traders' Bank in this city. He explained that he trouble in procuring permits from the Department of Public Works in May, 1882, for opining Broadway. When he was about receiving these permits, Deputy-Commissione Hamila seat for him and told him that he would have t work with the Steam Heating Company in its excava tions. He declined to do so on the ground that the neumatic tubes of the Western Union Company should not be put in the trench with the steam pines. Soon after he began work he was interfered with by the Department inspector, and a good deal annoyed. He was told by man connected with the Department of Public Works whose pame he did not know that it would be better to send some "sugar" to the Department. He offered to send a check and was told that cash would be bette He wanted to send a check to Commissioner Thompson and was told that it would not be accepted. He then said that he bad a friend in the Department, Mr. Clifford, and would send a check to him. He sent the check shown dated July 6, 1882 After that he had no more trouble until he afterward withdrew the \$500 check.

Mr. Payne—Is it your intention to charge that this check was given as unshimoney, as a bribet A.—I did not give tas a bribe or hush money. I supposed it was to go to thinger O. Thompson. I wanted to be let alone.
Q.—How do you account for the 1-dorsement on the check that it is credited to J. H. Chambers, the water register for the city, and is so entered on the books of the Department? A.—I cannot say.

The witness showed an entry in his memorandum cok of a payment of \$100 "For Clif. H. O. T.," which he said referred to the check.

George W. Williams, general inspector street pavements in the Department of City Brooklyn, testified that last year 6,074 sewer and water openings in that city Works, at a cost of \$1.40 each for repaying. The repaying cost an average of forty-five costs per square yard. He thought the charge of Contractor Conninghum of fifteen costs per foot for repaying the treuch of the Edlson Light

moneys received for the city. He had no recollection of having indersed the check shown. The committee then adjourned to Monda, at 10 a. m.

HOME INTERESTS.

PRICES IN THE MARKETS.

SPRING CHICKENS AT \$2 50 A PAIR-VEGETABLES

AND FRUIT. Good luck and fine weather have blessed the efforts of the North River shad fishermen recently, and in consequence these fine fish can be had abundant, fresh bluefish from North Carolina being a novelty at 18 cents a pound. After Lent fish always decrease in price. Even the excellent pompane and Spanish mackerel can be had for 35 cents a pound, while Long Island brook tront bring the provided for the voyage of the Britannic,

marketmen only 85 cents a pound. The ocean steamers are large fish customers now and the stock which started yesterday for Liverpool, is a fair sample of what the ocean voyage may expect this summer. This steamer's ice boxes were stored with 75 pounds of striped bass, 80 pounds of Oregon salmon, 100 pounds of live cod 50 pounds of sole, 60 pounds of chicken halibut 175 pounds of live lobsters, 30 pounds of fresh, 100 pounds of salt and 12 cases of soused mackerel, 50 North River shad, 50 pounds of smoked salmon, 60 pounds of Rhode Island smelts, 150 pounds of green turtle, 3 gallons of scollops and 15,000 ovs ters, one-half of them in the shell and one-half in open tin cans.

Fresh mackerel have become so abundant that they are hawked about the streets for 15 cents a dozen. Even in Fulton Market they may be had from 2 cents to 18 cents each. In thirty hours 1,500,000 were sold in Fulton Market. The season for oysiers winds up with this month. Visitors to Fulton Market are regaled with a sight of som anomalous leoking fish belonging to Commissione Blackford which he describes as "mud puppies and

Spring chickens that weigh a little more than ound are the latest contribution from the South to Washington Market, and cost \$2 50 a pair. Beyoud this there is nothing new in the poultry line

that he had never given a police officer, directly or indirectly, a dollar for protection, and had never heard camblers assert that they had done so. He said he had himself dealt fare-bank. He had always "dealt on the level" and had never cheated a man out of a quarter in his life.

Detective Etienne Bayer, of the Tenth Procinct, was questioned respecting the policy and gambling house, in his district. He said he had made many arrests, but could never secure a conviction for want of absolute proof. He had frequently visited the club house over the laquor store of Edward Multy, in the house at No. 272 Grandest, said to be owned by John J. O'Brien, but he never saw gambling there.

George Johnston, the steward of the club room referred to, said the had up to within two years dealt a faro bank, but had abandoned the business. He was always under the impression that Multy owned the house. He stated his business to be that of a speculator. The club, he said, consisted of about twenty members who sustained the establishment by private subscription. He declined to give the names of the members. He stated that cards were played there, but no gambling took place. The liquors used were furnished by Multy.

Edward Multy was recalled and John E. Brodsky, who had been present throughout the proceedings and represented him as counsel, oldected to the questions put by Mr. Miller. The witness, however, revealed nothing additional in the way of testimony, and was soon permitted to etter. He was followed by John E. Brimone upon some points of testimony given a week before, concerning which Mr. Miller desired him to refresh his memory. He had been on the stand had been now the stand had the wind the proceedings and representations with his memory. He had been on the stand had to be more than the refresh his memory. He had been on the stand had been now the stand had to be accused by the central process of the club had been now the stand ha

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Baked Shad, Sauce Tartare, Cucumbers,
Roast Lamb, Mashed Potato, Spinach, Jelly,
Chicken Fritters,
Lettnee Mayonnaise,
Pineapi "ake, Bonbons, Coffee,

LEGISLATION FOR THE CITY.

WORK OF THE CITIZENS' COMMITTEE. WHAT HAS BEEN DONE AND WHAT REMAINS TO DO

-MEASURES TO BE PUSHED. The Citizens' Comittee of Fifty-three met in he Mills Building yesterday, to hear the report of the sub-committee appointed to urge reformatory legislation at Albany for this city. A. P. Man occupied the chair in the absence of Mr. Everts. Douglas Campbell, in behalf of the sub-committee, presented a report, the main points

of which are:

As the session of the Legislature is now drawing to a close, we deem it our duty to direct your attention to the present standing of the city retorm bills, and the necessity for realons action on the part of the people of the city if they see fee their passage. First in order is the bill providing that the Mayor to be elected this fall, and under the new system, shall fill the offices of Corporation Counsel and Commissioner of Public Works, which become city if they couls their passage. First in order is the bill providing that the Mayor to be elected this fall, and under the new system, shall fill the offices of Corporation Counsel and Commissioner of Pulme Works, which become vacant in Peccanber. This bill has passed the Senate and gone to the Assembly. In the latter body it stands upon the calendar of general orders, and will not be passed unless more votes can be obtained than can be now counted on for its support. We said in a former report that this bill would "probably arouse the greatest opposition." The present out-look in stilles our prediction. The statesmen of this city who live by the saic or barter of municipal offices, test extremely loath to give up the two parcels of merchandiae covered by this bill. Not an argument has been offered against it openly. The whole opposition has been secret and beneath the surface. We think that should be straight way brought up in the Assembly, that the people of the State may see and mark the men who oppose its passage.

Next in order stand the bills introduced by the special committee of the Assembly as the result of their investitations in this city. The mest important of these have passed the Assembly and are now in the Senate. Against their passage in the Assembly no arguments were usual amounts. They are now in the Communities on these of the Senate, and should be reported thence without delay. If they fall to pass the Senate, it will be only by the use of secret arguments and occult influences, which the people of the city and State should understand.

There is another bill in the Senate, emanating from the same special committee or the Assembly, as to which your sub-committee is divided in opinion. It is bill No. 471, providing for a single Commissioner of Parks Three of your sub-committee approved by your committee and the purely administrative duties of the Commissioner, should be intrinsted to one man, but that he should not be vested with the vost powers of laying out streets, selecting grounds for p

last mass-meeting. We regret to say, however, that without the most cament work on the part of its supporters, this bill cannot become a law. We hear it charged in Albany, by those opposed to its passage, that it has a personal object. Tals is not true. It is almed at a system which we believe to be pernicious. That it may affect individuals is very true, for political abuses generally exist because some individuals are benefited by their continuance. That it has any partisan object is absurd, as well as false.

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rell as false.

ligens of a Republic who entertain political convic-Citie as of a Republic who entertain political convictions, believe in the principles of their party, and finishing them right, desire their full and fair expression. Such men know that votes unfairly obtained, though they may temporarily increase the personal power of individuals, injure their parties in the end. This truth becomes more manifest every day, in view of the independent vote now assuming such vast proportions. If the men who represent us in the Legislature understood the situation in this city, we do not believe that they would be state to pass this bill. Its opponents, however, are active, carneat and influential. To overcome their opposition will require a great force of public opinion, showing that our people demand its passage.

In speaking of the report, Mr. Campbell said that Senator Gibbs had told him that the Senate Committee on Cities would report favorably, on Monday or Tuesday, he reform bills now before it that have been passed by the Assembly. Mr. Campbell said that the bill giving the next Mayor the power to appoint a Commissioner of Public Works and a Corporation Counsel lacked ten votes of a sufficient number to pass it in the Assembly. In order not to go on the record, many members would try to prevent its consideration. He said that if citizens would write to the members urging the passage of these bills it

write to the members urging the passage of these bills it would be of assistance.

F. M. Scottand ex-Alderman Hawes spoke of the danger incurred by the delay in cons dering these bills. It was agreed that a large delegation of the committee should go to Albany on Wednesday to urge the passage of these

MONEY FOR A CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION. The Harlem Branch of the Young Men's

Christian Association will hold a fair this week in Cheral Hall, Lexington-ave. and One-hundred-and-twenty-nfthst. It will be opened on Tuesday evening by Chief Justice Noah Davis. The fair is held to raise money for a new building costing \$70,000 that is to be erected on the two lots in One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth-et., adjoining company was a reasonable one.

D. Lowber Smith, a cavit engineer and meter surveyor of the Department of Fuhic Works, was examined at great length as to the relative cost of repaying in this city and Brooklyn. He said there are 284 miles of cebble-atone paving and thirty miles of Belgian and block paving in Brooklyn. He was of the opinion that the charges of Mr. Cunningham for repaying were reasonable.

R. H. Clifford was recalled, and explained the check given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. He said that it must have been given by Devila. The books would show that. The books would show that. The books will show that the charges of Mr. Chambere, the Water negister, and they will show the THE MONEY MARKET.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE. APRIL 19, 1884.

THE GENERAL LIST. Actual Sales.

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CLOSING PRICES OF PHILADELPHIA STOCKS.

This was a day of disappointment to operators in stocks who were late in forming their opinions that a rally was due and that yesterday's advances were only the beginning of it. The market opened with an exhibition of considerable spirit and early figures generally showed more or

less of advances upon last evening's last prices. But the apparent strength proved to be a delusion and a snare, which, however, brought is no more valuable haul than a small lot of pro fessional traders. The business was moderately large, and recorded transactions amounting to 417,200 shares, or 57,000 shares more than were recorded yesterday. Union Pacific was special feature and furnished (114,430 shares) more than one-fourth of the day's total transactions. It has been mentioned during the last few days that it was one of the stocks that were conspicuous for their strength; to-day it was the particular weak spot in the mar ket. It opened at 70 and rose to 703s; later it declined to 663g, and ended at 66%. The decline put in almost everybody's mouth the question, What is there now about Union Pacific 9-which finally form ulated into a guess that the next dividend will be passed. No one stopped to think that the stock had held for several days unaccountably strong against the company's official reports showing net earnings for January and Februaryof only \$538,000, while its first charges for the same period amount to about \$1,200,000, nor that it the report of loss in net earnings for March proves to be correct, the net earnings the quarter that ended March 31 will be some \$700,000 less than the amount of its first charges for interest and rentals for that period. Delaware, Lackawanna and Western was second in point of interest in the day's dealings; it opened at 11938, ose to 1197s, and later sold at 1183sa 1181g Reading, however, continued to be weak it did gain 14 in the early business, and sold up to 5012, but it later fell to 4812@4858. Central of New-Jersey was dull, but declined from 8519 28578 to 8438. The Street is beginning to take an interest in the discussion of what is the price at which the hypothecated stock of the Central of New-Jersey Company. which belongs to the Reading Company, will oc offered for sale; there are hardly two opinions except as to date, that the Philadelphia trust companies which are carrying it for the Reading Company -will sell it to protect their loans. St. Paul was less active than usual and for the greater part of the day was held moderately firm against the drift of the general market; but it finally dropped from 8618@

8612 to 85, and closed at 8514. The trunk line

those of yesterday. Central and Hudson got up to

114% and the last sale was 114%, but the closing quotation was 1134 @114. Lake Shore sold up at to 981g, but ended at 971g, and Erie, after 20, sold at 194@193s. For Michigan Central there was not a quotation all day, and Canada Southern from 51 declined to 49@494s. There was little left of last night's boom in the Omahas: the preferredstock did sell up to 94, but it closed at 92. The whole Southwestern system moved in unison with the general market; higher in early dealings and lower at the close. Western Union declined from 681s to 6634 2667s, and Pacific Mail from 4812 @49 fell to 471, @471. The whole market closed

Government bonds were almost neglected; bids for the 3s, without transactions, were advanced 3s per cent. Otherwise the quotations are unchanged

and closed as follows: | Bid. Asked | U.S. 4 be 1891, ref. 113 be 113 by U.S. car. 6 * 1896 | 131 by U.S. 4 be 1891, ref. 113 by 113 by U.S. car. 6 * 1896 | 131 by U.S. 4 be 1891, ref. 129 by U.S. car. 6 * 1897, ref. 129 by U.S. car. 6 * 1898 | 126 by U.S. car. 6 by U.

There was no business in State bonds and no change in the quotations for them. The sales of city bank stocks again were unusually large, and included Republic at 133 a 134, Merchants' at 131, Commerce 15612@15712, and America at 172@170. The general bond market was in full sympathy

with the tone of the share market; a special weakness for any stock was reflected in lower prices for that company's bonds. Eric second consols de clined from 867s@87 to and closed at 851s, and sales were made at 84 seller 60 days. Missouri, Kansas and Texas general 6s were to lower at 80. St. Louis and Iron Mountain 5s declined from 74 to 7014. West Shore and Buffalo first 5s fell from 54% to 5212 252%. Canada Southern firsts were steady, and seconds were 's higher at SSIs, and Chicago and Atlantic seconds were suspiciously active at full figures-891-28914 Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg consol 5s sold up 4 to 70%. Chesapeake and Ohio currency 6s declined from 52% to 52 252%. St. Paul con-sol 7s declined from 1254 to 124%, firsts Pacific and Western division were 18 per cent off 993, and firsts, Wisconsin and Minnesota division, were 12 lower at 99. Northwestern debenture 58 were about steady at 99 @ 987s, and Burlington and Quincy debenture 5s were 12 higher at 9812 sales, but later were quoted 98 2984. Wabash preferred but later were quoted 98 2984. Wabash preferred 68 sold at 57 256 and Great Western seconds at 96 2954. Denver and Rio Grande consols fluctuated between 78 and 77 and closed at 77 2-2 decline of 12- and firsts Western extension were off 34 at 59. Oregon Short Line 68 declined from 914 to 85 and recovered to 88. Northern Pacific firsts were well sustained at 102 32 21024, but Oregon Improvement firsts fell off 5 per cent from last sole to 65.

Improvement firsts fell off 5 per cent from last sale to 65.

The weekly bank statement of averages fairly reflects the outgo of gold in its reported loss of \$3,113,800 in specie; but the net result is affected by an influx of legal-tenders which averages a gain of \$1,141,200. A decrease of \$1,096,100 in loans added to the net loss in cash reduces the depositions \$3,691,000, so that the required amount of reserve, measured by the 25 per cent rule, is \$922,750 less than it was a week ago; so the statement shows a loss of surplus reserve of only \$1,049,820, and leaves a remaining surplus of \$2,566,575. But as \$2,400,000 of the gold exports counts in the average only three days, and the other \$2,875,000 counts in the average only one day, it is probable that a statement made up of the actual balances last night would show no surplus if not a deficit.

The following are the comparative totals of the statements of April 12 and April 19:

[April 12 April 19 *Differences \$48,441,000 \$14,000,10 \$80,000,10

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Total reserve. \$50.704.300 \$87.731,900 Dec. \$1.072,800 Reserve required against deposits \$4,08.075 \$85,105.325 Dec. 922.750 Sarplus...... \$3,616,425 \$2,566,575 Dec. \$1.018.850

The Sub-Treasury to-day lost on balance \$59.124, made up by a com loss of \$113,607, less a currency gain of \$54,483. The day's transactions covered: Receipts, \$899,786; payments, \$928,910; emrency balance, \$10,166,248; coin balance,

\$125,657.886. The local money market was not responsive to the bank statement, and call loans were pressed at $2 \cdot \hat{a} \cdot 1^{1_2}$ per cent; at the end the lowest was the pre-

vailing rate.

The London market for British consols The London market for British consols was weaker; for money they were ¹s lower at 102 5-16 and for account were 3-16 lower at 102 5₂. United States bonds were steady and unchanged at 126¹s for 4s and 115⁵s for 4¹2s. American railways only par sy responded to yesterday's improvements in the home markets and in some instances—Erie, Pennsylvania and Canadum Pacific—the quotations were lower. Bar silver was 1-16d higher at 50 13-16d per onnee. At Paris, French 3 per cents rose to 76.97¹2 trancs.

Imports of merchan his in New-York:
For the week 18-2, 18-3, 18-84.

For the week 18-2, 18-3, 18-84, Dry goods \$2.560.161 \$1,403,115 \$1.8.0 \$0.00 \$1.00 \$ Total since Jan. 1. \$160,506,14) \$14 , 68,213 \$151,305,002

Experts of specie from New-York: For the week. \$109,100 \$186,970 \$5,541,57 ...viously reported. 14, 9,935 5,522,930 26,2 4,00 Total since Jan. 1., \$14,361,035 \$5,709,870 \$31,825,573 Imports of specie at New-York: For the week \$23,047 \$38,031 \$669,213 Previously reported. 1,116,845 6,354,885 1,912,599

Total since Jan. 1. \$4,110,025 \$6,413,016 \$2,501,610 BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

HATCH & FOOTE, BANKERS.

No. 12 Wall-St., NEW-YORK, Buy and Sell U.S. Bonds, execute orders in Stocks and Bonds for Cash and on a Margin; Interest al-

lowed on Deposits. Desnable Investment Securities on hand. Attention given to correspondence. THE PETROLEUM MARKET.

NEW-YORK, April 19. The strong closing of the petroleum market yesterday was followed by an advance to 984s cents teday. Then came news of the opening of two wells in the Macksbury field, with a good flow, and prices dri e1 down to 26 cents. The market was unsettled and irregular throughout, but the case vs. male on a rally. The range of prices and the total dealings were as fol-

Con. ≤r. 974 9-1 N. Y 250 974 974 964 At Oil City and Bradford the clearances were 16,952,000 and 10,126,000 partels respectively. The refined market was uncoanged.

Divident Notices.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO. PIER FOOT OF CANALST. NEW-YORK. April 16, 1884.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a quarterly dividend of one and one-quarter per cont on the cap tal stock of this Company, payable on and after May 1, 1-84, at the office of the Mercantile Trust company No. -0.9 Broadway, New York to stockhotices of record at the closing of the books. The transfer books will close at the office of the Union Trust Company, No. 75 Broadway, New York, Monday, April 11, 1884, at free 10 0 clock p. m., and will reopen Tuesday, May 2, 1884, at ten (10) o'clock a. m. JOSEPH HELLE , T e surer.

THE FATHER DE SMET CONSOLIDATED GOLD MINING COMPANY has declared Lividend No. 32 of Twenty Cents per stare parable at the office of LAIDLAW & CO. 1. Wall-st., New York, on the 30th mat. Transfer books will close the 12d.

H. DEAS Secretary. H. DEAS, Secretary.

THE ST. PAUL. MINNE POLIS AND MANITOBA RAILWAY COMPANY.

OS WILLIAMST. NEW YORK, April 2, 1884.

The namel quarterly dividend of two per cent on the capital stock of this company has this day been declared, payable at this office on and after May 1, 1881, to steekholders of record on that stace. The transfer books will be closed on wednesday. April 18, at 3 p. m., and will be respense on Friday, May 2, at 10 a. m.

JOHN S. KERMEDY.

Vice-Presidents shares were not active, but their early prices

showed some gains, followed by prices lower than